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Dental course.

* 415 *Q.*—Sri K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many qualified dentists there are in the Madras General Hospital; and

(*b*) whether a dental course has been opened in Madras State?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Two, Sir.

" (*b*) Yes, Sir."

Sri K. ARANGANATHAN :—" Is the Hon. Minister aware of the fact that when people suffering from teeth trouble go to the General Hospital for treatment, their teeth are extracted and boils are formed? As a result of this improper treatment, they are famously known as ' Shenoy boils '."

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY :—" It is a very interesting information. I am not aware of it."

Retrenchment of teachers.

* 416 *Q.*—Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state— 10-10 a.m.

(*a*) whether the Government have received any complaint regarding retrenchment of teachers due to the enforcement of the new Elementary Education Scheme; and

(*b*) if so, how many teachers have been retrenched?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) & (*b*) None has been retrenched and no complaints have been received."

* Sri K. C. GOPALAN UNNI: —" ഈ പരാതി നടപ്പിൽ വന്നതിനു ശേഷം കൂടുതൽ ഡിവിഷൻ ഓപ്പൺ ചെയ്യാൻ ഗവണ്മെന്റ് അനുവാദം നിഷേധിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ ?"

Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" (Translation) Sir, generally the classes are divided when the average attendance of the standards increase. In view of the new modified scheme being implemented the classes are not divided because the pupils are divided into two shifts and consequently retrenchment has taken place."

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, no teacher has been retrenched on account of the implementation of the new modified scheme. If there is any such case, it may be brought to my notice and I will look into it."

Improvement of Kangayam breed of cattle.

* 417 *Q.*—Sri V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Animal Husbandry be pleased to state the result of the scheme for the improvement of Kangayam breed

of cattle tried at the instance of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research at the Hosur Cattle Farm for the last so many years over that of the Kangayam breed at Pattagar's Farm?

THE HON. SRI V. C. PALANISWAMI GOUNDER :—" No scheme for the improvement of Kangayam breed of cattle was conducted at the Livestock Research Station, Hosur, at the instance of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research."

SRI S. DEIVASIGAMANY :—" Sir, how could there be an improvement in the breed of the cattle? If there is any improvement it will become hybrid."

THE HON. SRI V. C. PALANISWAMI GOUNDER :—" No, Sir. There is improvement in grade."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Next question. Mr. Aranganathan."

SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, I request you to take up this question to-morrow."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, it will not be necessary in view of the answer I am going to give. It need not be taken up to-morrow because the answer is :

'The particulars are not yet available. They are being compiled.' "

The question was put.

Statistics about the students belonging to backward classes.

* 418 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the total number of pupils and students of the backward classes (Hindus) reading in all the schools and colleges including technical and professional during 1952–53?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The particulars are not yet available. They are being compiled."

Outbreak of cholera in certain areas in the Chingleput district.

* 419 *Q.*—SRI K. VINAYAKAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of cases of cholera that were reported from Ponvilaintha Kalathur, Perumal Eri, Kuppam of Tirukalikundrum in Chingleput district during the months of October and November 1953;

(*b*) how many were cured;

(*c*) how many of them died; and

(*d*) the steps taken by the authorities to prevent the spread of the epidemic in those areas?